

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) An apparatus comprising:

means for opening a first connection between a first client and an interface unit;

means for opening a second connection between said interface unit and a server if no free connection is open between said interface unit and said server;

means for allowing said first client to access information on said server via said second connection;

means for opening a third connection between a second client and said interface unit; and

means for allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection without waiting for said first client to disconnect.

2. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising:

means for delinking said first connection and said third connection while keeping open said second connection.

3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said means for allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection is comprised of:

means for utilizing a content length parameter to determine whether all of said information has been sent to said first client.

4. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said means for allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection is comprised of:

means for utilizing two or more chunk-size fields to determine whether all of said information has been sent to said first client.

5. (Previously Presented) A method comprising the steps of:

opening a first connection between a first client and an interface unit;

opening a second connection between said interface unit and a server if no free connection is open between said interface unit and said server;

allowing said first client to access information on said server via said second connection;

opening a third connection between a second client and said interface unit; and

allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection without waiting for said first client to disconnect.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, further comprising the step of:

delinking said first connection and said third connection while keeping open said second connection.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein said allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection without waiting for said first client to disconnect is comprised of the step of:

utilizing a content length parameter to determine whether all of said information has been sent to said first client.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5, wherein said allowing said second client to access information on said server via said second connection without waiting for said first client to disconnect is comprised of the step of:

utilizing two or more chunk-size fields to determine whether all of said information has been sent to said first client.